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1. RADIO STATION WBAI IN NEW YORK INFORMED AF/P THAT IT PLANS TO SEND HUSBAND-WIFE CORRESPONDENT TEAM TO LM TO COVER INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS. WBAI SENT CABLE JUNE 12 TO INFORMATION MINISTER JOSE LUIS CABACO REQUESTING ACCREDITATION FOR JOHN AND GAIL GERHART. GERHART RESIDENT IN BOTSWANA AS FORD FOUNDATION ECONOMIST, BUT COVERS AFRICA PART-TIME FOR PACIFICA RADIO, LISTENER-SUPPORTED NETWORK IN LOS ANGELES, HOUSTON AND SAN FRANCISCO AREA, WITH PLANS TO OPERATE SOON IN WASHINGTON.

2. GERHART PRESS CREDENTIALS EXPIRED BUT WBAI SENDING NEW ONES TO BOTSWANA AND TO GERHART C/O TAP OFFICE IN LM. GERHARTS REMAINING IN BOTSWANA UNTIL WBAI HEARS FROM INFORMATION MINISTRY, BUT MAY CONTACT CONGEN LATER.

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